(b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI KANTILAL BHURIA): (a) and (b) No, Sir. As per Seventh Schedule of the Constitution of India, the subject of land falls under the purview of State Government and therefore it is for the State Governments to bring about suitable Bill/Legislation in this regard.

Benefits to women farmers under NAIS

3972. SHRIMATI BRINDA KARAT: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) how many women farmers have availed the benefit of National Agricultural Insurance Scheme (NAIS);

(b) whether there is any other insurance scheme to help specifically female headed farmer households; and

(c) if not, given the increasing number of female headed households, whether Government would consider framing such a policy?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI KANTILAL BHURIA): (a) All farmers—whether men or women—are equally eligible for coverage under National Agricultural Insurance Scheme (NAIS). No separate record for coverage of women farmers is maintained by the Agriculture Insurance Company of India Ltd. (AIC).

(b) There is no Crop Insurance Scheme exclusively for female headed farmer households.

(c) No such proposal under consideration, at present.

Laying of report of Dr. M.S. Swaminathan on agriculture

3973. SHRI NANDI YELLAIAH: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government would lay on the Table of the House the report of Dr. M.S. Swaminathan on agriculture which had been recently submitted to Government;

(b) if so, by when; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?